



## 39 Give Blood On Three Occasions

Blood Donor Chairman George A. Hefferman sends the following list of those in the Trenton area who have given blood on three or more occasions to the Red Cross Blood Bank. Elgin Mayer of the Administration Division tops all donors with seven visits, while James Corle of Administration, Flavin Ireton of Real Estate, Sydney Webster of Maintenance, and Joseph Hunt of Electrical have each given on four occasions.

Two ladies of the Highway Department, Josephine O'Hara of the Title Bureau and Mabel Beams of Administration are to be congratulated for being included on such an outstanding list, which undoubtedly will include many more names when other sections of the State send in their final figures.

The showing of the Equipment Division is especially commendable as a glance at the following list will reveal:

Devereux, Frank M.	Equipment
Emmons, T. Willard	Equipment
VanHise, Morgan	Equipment
Pate, Joseph B.	Equipment
Gade, Larry	Equipment
Carrig, Joseph	Equipment
DeBlasio, Angelo	Equipment
Shreve, Hobart	Equipment
Martin, Robert	Equipment
Brooks, Fred	Equipment
McCabe, Edward	Equipment
Gadsby, Thomas	Equipment
Radice, Peter	Equipment
Rochford, John	Equipment
Isherwood, John	Equipment
Rochford, William	Equipment
DeRemigis, Adolph	Equipment
Philhower, Charles	Equipment
Lesnak, Michael	Equipment
Edwards, Fred	Equipment
Hankinson, Earl	Administration
Corle, James A.	Administration
Mayer, Elgin E.	Administration
Egan, Arthur A.	Administration
Ward, William	Administration
Beams, Mabel	Administration
Ahr, Charles	Administration
Bullock, Samuel	Construction
Osborne, E. T.	Construction
Flavin, Jr., R.	Construction
Flavin, Ireton	Real Estate
Stewart, Thomas W.	Real Estate
Balbrekly, Morris	Real Estate
O'Hara, Josephine	Real Estate
Hefferman, George A.	Bridge
Hedin, Sven	Bridge
Anderson, Chester	Electrical
Hunt, Joseph	Electrical
Levine, Chas. I.	Maintenance
Webster, Sydney	Maintenance

## Two Teams Tie For Bowling Lead

### League Officers Named

After a month of competition, the Highway Bowling League has settled down to what looks like a free-for-all race, with any team except Projects being in a position to assume the lead on short notice. Projects, with a record of one win and eleven defeats, is at present the undisputed possessor of last place, but don't bet against them in the long run because anything can happen.

At this writing, Equipment and Administration are tied for the lead with nine wins and three losses, followed closely by the Drafting Room. Electrical is in the number four spot.

High team average, high team three games and high team single game totals are all the property of Administration, while the high individual average is owned by P. Tuozzolo of Projects who has averaged 186 pins to date. In this competition he is closely followed by Frank Dunn with 180 and M. Stevens of Equipment with 175.

On October 15th a meeting of the league resulted in naming the following officers to serve for the coming season: President, Frank Dunn, Administration; Vice-President, Warren C. Oldham, Maintenance; and Secretary-Treasurer, George A. Hefferman, Bridge Division.

Due to the inability of the Laboratory to put a team on the alleys, the league is endeavoring to function with five teams. This is rather

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## Road Man Killed By Own Truck

### Reinhardt Victim of Freak Accident

Arthur Reinhardt, 57, Maintenance Division truck driver of Somerville, died in the Muhlenberg Hospital at Plainfield on Wednesday, September 20th, victim of a freak accident in which he was struck by his own truck.

Working with three other Highway employees along Route 29 at North Plainfield, Reinhardt was standing in front of his own parked truck when a milk truck collided with the rear of the vehicle. The impact drove the Highway truck forward, striking Reinhardt and throwing him some thirty feet. He suffered a fractured skull. The accident occurred shortly after 3 p. m.

Michael Rauber who was seated in the cab of the truck at the time of accident escaped injury, but Pasquale Marotto, who but a moment before had climbed into the body of the vehicle, was thrown some distance and sustained a broken nose.

The driver of the milk truck, Charles Mowry, 28, of Lebanon, was released after investigation under \$1,500.00 bail. He is charged with causing death by reckless driving with an automobile, and the case will be investigated by the Grand Jury in Somerville.

Reinhardt, a veteran employee of the Department with a record of twenty-two years service, is survived by his widow, Mrs. Ida Hammond Reinhardt of Loser Avenue, Somerville, to whom THE HIGHWAY expresses deepest sympathy on behalf of the men and women of Highway Department.

## Annual Dinner of Ten Year Club Set for Nov. 15th

### Veteran Employees to Be Honored

The Ten Year Club of the State Highway Department will hold its thirteenth annual dinner and election of officers at the Stacy Trent Hotel in Trenton, on Monday evening, November 15th at 6:30 p. m.

Due to the pressure of previous engagements, Commissioner Miller has been forced to decline an invitation to speak on this occasion and in his place Mr. E. V. Connett, Administrative Assistant, will address the meeting. Those who attended last year's annual dinner will remember how capably he played a similar role at that affair.

**Service Awards To Be Given**  
As has been the custom for many years, men who have served the Department for periods of twenty and twenty-five years will receive service award pins. Mr. C. F. Bedwell, Acting State Highway Engineer, will present these emblems to those who have completed a quarter of a century's employment while Mr. E. E. Reed, Acting Assistant State Highway Engineer, will similarly honor the twenty year men.

Club President Eugene J. Palmer will conduct the installation of new officers following the annual election. The slate as presented by the nominating committee is as follows:

President, W. H. Spencer; 1st Vice-Pres., R. G. Martin; 2nd Vice-Pres., R. G. MacMullin; 3rd Vice-Pres., W. E. Beckner; Secretary, R. A. Snyder; Assistant Sec., R. A. Callahan; Fin. Sec., A. J. Egan; Treas., C. W. Case.

### To Unveil Service Flag

Following the installation of officers, the Ten Year Club Service flag dedicating to the club members now serving their country will be unveiled. Appropriate recognition will be accorded these men, many of whom are missing their first annual dinner.

In spite of higher prices the tickets have been held to \$2.50 and can be obtained from Treasurer

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# Plans Being Readied For Post War Highways

## Road Building Vital to Readjustment Period

During my recent visit to England I was privileged to witness at first hand some of the very comprehensive plans which that country is now making towards post war construction. As a result of my observations, I can assure you that very great importance is being placed upon the role that public works will play in such an employment program. Foremost among these public works is the construction of modern highway systems.

We must all realize that with the eventual cessation of hostilities, our country will inevitably be faced with a period of slackened employment, during which private industry geared to the high speed production of war materials, must readjust its plants and factories for the manufacture of peacetime products. The importance of a public works program at such a time cannot be over emphasized.

New Jersey's present highway system, while a tribute to the farsighted planning of our highway engineers, must be modernized and augmented by new construction if it is to keep abreast of the motor vehicle needs of the future. Construction which has been curtailed by the war must be ready to get under way at the earliest possible moment if we are to fulfill our important role in absorbing into gainful employment those citizens who went forth in the defense of their country. So that we may be prepared to do our part with the least possible delay, we are today preparing plans for such construction. Those of us on the home front who have tried in some small way to lend our weight to the general war effort of this nation are now placed in the enviable position of being able to contribute in a definite manner to the welfare of those who have sacrificed so much for us. I can think of no finer message to send to our Highwaymen on the far-flung battle lines than this: We at home are today planning not only to welcome you upon your return, but to be prepared to place you in your former position with a comprehensive program of much needed construction awaiting you. The co-operative spirit of the employees of the State Highway Department will see to it that this promise is fulfilled.

SPENCER MILLER, Jr.,  
State Highway Commissioner

## Two Day Record For "Blacktop"

Something of a record was established by Foreman John Homan and his crew over at the Oak Street Overpass job in South Amboy. With a crew of only nine men, John laid some 7,000 square yards of black top pavement in less than two days. This quantity would be good for straight-run work, but a glance at the plans indicate that the work at Oak Street was anything but that, thus making it all the more exceptional. One inch bituminous surface was placed on a 4" macadam foundation and an intermediate course of 3" bituminous macadam. The following men participated:

John Elko, Sam Suriano, George Calloway, Arturo Massi, Pietro Polandrano, Vito Adessa, Patsy Pezzicola, Tony Vesico, Alex Spinozzi, Onofrio Diprimo, and Sam Scheetz on the roller.

### In Appreciation

Mrs. Louise Hassel, widow of Richard Hassel, late of the Electrical Division, wishes to express her deep appreciation to the men of that division who volunteered when blood transfusions were needed by her husband. Mrs. Hassel is especially grateful to Horace Kane, Andrew Leaver, Louis Universatt and Thomas Borden, and to Russell Cook of the Purchase and Stores Division, who gave the transfusions.

## BUY WAR BONDS

## Ricketti Wounded At Salerno

From a hospital somewhere in the Mediterranean theatre, Frank Ricketti, formerly of the Cost Department, writes that he was among the American forces that landed on the Salerno Beach, Italy. Shrapnel from a German shell fractured his left leg above the knee. He was also wounded in the right leg and left arm. Treatment he is receiving at the hospital there is truly remarkable states Frank. Everything possible is being done to speed his complete recovery. The Purple Heart has been bestowed upon him for wounds received under fire. The Medal is a beautiful engraving of Washington over a Purple Heart. The tone of the letter indicates Frank is in fine spirits and looks forward to rejoining his comrades. His many friends in the Department wish him a speedy recovery.

### William C. Herbert

It is with deep regret that we announce the death of William C. Herbert, 62, of 510 Brinley Ave., Bradley Beach. Mr. Herbert, a relief Bridge Tender, succumbed on November 1st, following a brief illness. He is survived by a daughter whose name we were unable to obtain, and two sons, Thomas C., a former employee of this Department and Stanley, an Assemblyman from Monmouth County. To these survivors THE HIGHWAY extends deepest sympathy on behalf of the employees of the Department.

## Fishing Tackle Still Needed For Service Men

The campaign to supply fishing tackle for fighting men in foreign lands is still in progress according to word received from Mr. Harlan Major of New York who is national head of this drive.

"Although the results obtained so far are most encouraging," said Mr. Major, "I feel that we have barely scratched the surface. Throughout New Jersey there are literally thousands of lines, lures, swivels and hooks of all sizes and shapes which are not being used on account of the war. If these could be obtained and sent to our boys overseas it would be a real contribution to the recreation of these men."

New Jersey sportsmen, many of whom are represented in the ranks of Highwaymen, can help this cause by turning in their tackle, regardless of condition, to any Maintenance Supervisor, any State Highway garage, or to the Trenton office.

The following letter recently received by Commissioner Miller may help explain the feelings of soldiers everywhere towards this campaign:

Cpl. W. D. Alpaugh  
Med. Det. 243th Engr.  
Combat Bn.  
APO 553, New York, N. Y.  
October 16, 1943  
England

Dear Sir:

The part you and your staff are playing in providing wholesome recreation for the American soldiers on foreign shores will be felt when your collection of fishing equipment is distributed. An article in September 9th issue of Easton Express, a Pennsylvania paper, brought our attention to your campaign.

Eleven men of our small detachment are residents of Phillipsburg, New Jersey. Before we were called upon to defend our country from the aggressors, we were licensed sportsmen. Many happy fishing parties were enjoyed at Budd Lake and its surrounding fresh water lakes.

Can it, in any way, be arranged following receipt of this letter for you to send our fine group of boys a fair amount of fishing tackle?

A short reply will be greatly appreciated. Address your letter to the writer at any time convenient to you. Many thanks from a good group of New Jerseyites.

Yours truly,

(sgd) W. D. Alpaugh

## Son of Former Projects Man Lost in Sicily

Sergeant Theodore Throckmorton, son of Harold Throckmorton, retired Projects employee, living in Freehold, was recently reported lost in fighting in Sicily.

Sergeant Throckmorton was among the first paratroopers to land behind the enemy lines, whose fighting in the early days of that campaign was so instrumental in disrupting enemy communications.

The Chaplain accompanying these troops on their perilous mission wrote the family that Throckmorton had "fought bravely and was a credit to his country." It is believed that he is the first casualty in the Freehold area.

Harold Throckmorton first became associated with the Highway Department in 1926 and retired in May 1940. His title was Junior Highway Inspector. His many friends in the Department extend to him and Mrs. Throckmorton their deepest sympathies.



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## Highway Honor Roll



The following is the list of those entering the Armed Forces of the United States since the last issue of THE HIGHWAY.

Administration	
Cintia, Rizziero	Army
Guadagno, Jerry	Army
Construction	
Armstrong, Benjamin	Army
Electrical	
Royson, Arthur	Army
Equipment	
Christensen, William	Marines
Flavin, James	Navy
Maintenance	
Antonaccio, Antonio	Navy
Marinano, Daniel	Navy
Parillo, Dominick	Navy
Steelman, Warren	Navy

## News From the Boys In the Service

### Enjoys Leave



BILL DALLAS

Lieut. Commr. William B. Dallas of Survey and Plans was a recent visitor to the Trenton office after a year in the bleak Aleutians. Bill looked bigger than ever and had many interesting stories to tell of weather conditions and things in general. He was constantly in contact with many Highwaymen who were quartered in that area and spoke in glowing terms of their ability. Bill had no idea of his next assignment, but at the time we saw him he was most anxious to "get going."

We understand through Mrs. Wm. C. Lance that her son, Foster, is now in North Africa, having arrived there on Sept. 20th. Lance who before joining the Army was employed in the Southern Construction Division likens the living conditions of the natives where he is to that of the squatters on the Newark meadows. His address is: Cpl. Foster L. Lance, APO 7128 A.S.N. 32601745, Co. B, 6th Bn. 1st R. Depot, c/o Postmaster, N.Y.C.

Pfc. John Krol, Jr., who left the Electrical Division for the Army, writes from the Southwest Pacific to say, "Please notice the change of address. It is APO 929. I am sending you this so that I may get THE HIGHWAY as soon as possible. . . . A definite feature of this place is the heat. Best regards to all." John's address is: Pfc. John Krol, Jr., 32077516, 46th Tp. Cr. Sq. APO 929 c/o Postmaster, San Francisco.

### Has Seen U. S.



JOE PETTA

Joseph Petta of Landscape, now resplendent in corporal's stripes and sharpshooter's medal was a recent visitor. Joe has covered a large part of the U. S. since joining the colors and is at present studying the Morse code preparatory to teaching same.

Foreman Fred Yannut of the Maintenance Division forwards a letter recently received from Arnold Conine of his gang in which he says: "I'm somewhere in England which is Harry's (Bowker) country. Tell him for me that I will give it back to him any time he wants it . . . blackouts every night . . . it rains about every day . . . everything damp and wet. How these people have stood up under the strain for four years is beyond me. Everything is rationed here. . . . Let me hear from you once in a while and say hello to the boys for me." Arnold's address is T/S A. R. Conine, Co. A 33 A.R. APO 253 New York City.

Jules Megules of the Maintenance Division is a hard man to find. While he can't say where he is, he can deny being where others guess his location might be. Recently he wrote as follows: "I am now a full-fledged Lieutenant. I am feeling swell and am in good trim although I have lost twenty-eight pounds. The jungle here is so dense that you can't see more than twenty feet, and it has never been seen by white men before."

"There are flies here so thick that as many as a dozen are on you at one time. Some are bigger than horse flies and they draw blood and leave swollen parts. . . . Jules address is: Lt. J. J. Megules, 12047-119, Hq. Det. 1st Bn. 330 Eng. Corps, APO 689, c/o Postmaster, N.Y.C. Congratulations on the Commission!"

From "somewhere in the South Pacific" a letter comes from James Damato of the Landscape Division. Jimmy says, "Will you kindly forward THE HIGHWAY to this address: 1009 Det. U.S.N. A-4, c/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Cal. I have received THE HIGHWAY in this part of the world until recently. I am doing swell and hope to be back in a short time."

### In Africa



Y. L. BRAYBROOKE

Major Walter L. Braybrooke sends the above photo, taken in front of his African headquarters, to his friends in the Upper Montclair office with the comment that he is quartered in British barracks, but is fortunate in having American furniture. Flanking "Bray" in the picture are his man-servant and smiling wine steward of the officer's club.

## Maintenance Man Pays Visit to Garden of Eden

Lt. George McCann, 334th Engr. Reg. APO 797 c/o Postmaster, New York, is still in Iran according to a letter recently received by Kenneth Craft. He says, "We have quite a change in climate now. We are located high in the mountains now, about 9000 feet. . . . It gets cool in the evenings. You fall out of your tent in the A. M. and have to put on an overcoat. Hope we don't stay here all winter. . . . will probably blow snow. Last winter on the desert we didn't have any of that stuff but plenty of rain and mud. I have seen some interesting sights, rich in biblical history. . . . Daniel's tomb, also the den, Queen Esther's palace, the Garden of Eden in Iraq."

"Plenty of wild boar, deer, grouse and gazelles here, and tell Storer there's a good field for his signs here. With Mussolini out of the picture probably it won't last long. Understand you have some nice girls in 218 now. . . ."

### Joins Sea-Bees



LOUIS GALLONI

Chief Carpenters Mate Louis A. Galloni was another who found time to drop in to say "Hello." Louis has finished his training at Camp Peary, Va. and has about finished his embarkation leave before sailing for parts unknown.

## Annual Dinner of Ten Year Club

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Case, the paymasters and members of the Entertainment Committee. The complete list of those employees who will receive service pins on this occasion follows:

25 Years Service	
Benoist, Emile	Construction
Boulden, Fred R.	Equipment
Card, Cyrus	Administration
Eyevs, J. W.	Construction
Franssen, John	Projects
Harris, F. E.	Projects
Havren, J. H.	Equipment
Hunt, Chas. F.	Projects
Hurley, Chas. A.	Administration
Johnson, S. B.	Construction
Martin, R. G.	Equipment
Pratley, Geo. H.	Construction
Rigby, H. N.	Construction
Stephen, Thos.	Construction
Strait, S. A.	Construction
20 Years Service	
Ackley, Paul J.	Maintenance
Bonner, F. H.	Maintenance
Braybrooke, W. L.	Construction
Burch, P. H.	Bridge
Carter, Theodore	Maintenance
Claus, Fred	Construction
Davis, W. Carman	Administration
Egan, J. A.	Administration
Fitzgerald, J. W.	Construction
Foster, Andrew	Equipment
Haney, Paul	Maintenance
Harris, Wm.	Construction
Henry, Russell R.	Electrical
Herron, A. S.	Bridge
Hickman, Percy	Maintenance
Hunt, Jos. R.	Electrical
Knorr, E. J.	Equipment
Lamson, H. M.	Maintenance
Machner, Ernest	Maintenance
Partington, Harry	Laboratory
Peterson, A. McF.	Construction
Pepper, Geo. W.	Electrical
Platt, Jos.	Maintenance
Reddan, F. A.	Administration
Reilly, F. J.	Projects
Scheider, D. J.	Maintenance
Sherman, R. A.	Laboratory
Sigafoos, R. B.	Laboratory
Stinson, J. C.	Equipment
Sullivan, J. S.	Construction
Veal, Rudolph	Construction
Wear, Clifford	Administration
Wilson, Arlington	Electrical
Wilson, F. S.	Bridge

## Suggestions Are Valuable

Since the Suggestion Box was established last February, many valuable ideas have been received from Highway employees. Some of these ideas have already been adopted as standard practice within the Department while others are at present being evaluated by the Employee-Management Committee. The co-operation of those who have sent in suggestions has been most encouraging and their participation in this program should serve as a stimulus to others, for it is now established that the personnel of this Department can be a constant source of constructive thinking.

Enclosed in this issue of THE HIGHWAY is a form for use in submitting suggestions to the Suggestion Box. It has been placed in your hands solely as a matter of convenience to you. Its use is not mandatory and ideas submitted on any other sheet of paper are equally acceptable. As an executive of a large corporation recently said, "We don't care if ideas are submitted to us on paper towels, as long as we receive them."

The Suggestion Box is accepted today as a valuable asset to this Department. It is meeting with the wholehearted approval of our various division heads, who were among the first to recognize its value. The fact that contributors remain anonymous until their suggestions have been adopted is a guarantee to all that their ideas will be evaluated on the basis of merit alone. Only when a suggestion has been adopted does the identity of the suggestor become known, and then for the purpose of acknowledgment and public recognition.

A practical, forward-looking program such as this deserves the support of all employees. Therefore if you have an idea that will contribute to the efficiency of the Highway Department, the Suggestion Box offers a ready means of having it evaluated. Remember that no idea is too big—and none is too small.

## Will You Help?

Snow removal has long been recognized as one of the most important functions of the State Highway Department. Over a period of many years the men of the Maintenance and Equipment Divisions have established an enviable record through their ability to successfully conquer the storms of winter and keep our vital highways open.

In this year of war the battle against winter storms assumes greater importance than ever before, for today our highways are carrying the products of thousands of factories to the great ports of New York and Philadelphia from whence they will be sent to our fighting men overseas. These shipments must go through!

Many who in former years played so important a role in snow removal work are now in the armed forces. Others have left the Department for work in war plants. The forces that are now rallying for the coming battle of winter are sadly undermanned and their thinned ranks are grimly facing the most important snow removal job in the history of New Jersey, with no hope of securing replacements from without the Department. Because of this an appeal is being made to men and women in all divisions to volunteer for this work. If you can drive a light or heavy truck, man a telephone, supervise work; if you can do any of a dozen or more skilled or unskilled jobs, your services are vitally needed. If you live north, south, east or west, a job near your home may be found for you, regardless of your present position or classification. This is definitely important work, and many volunteers are needed. If you are willing to do your bit, call or write Alex W. Muir, Superintendent of Maintenance for more complete details.

Buy War Bonds and Stamps  
Every Payday!



## EQUIPMENT ITEMS

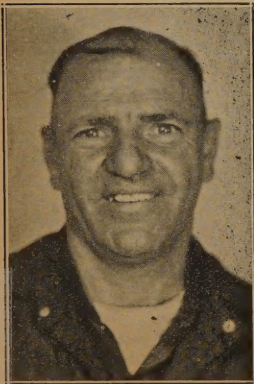
James O'Rourke

James Flavin, Senior Stock Clerk, is the latest Highway addition to the Sea-Bees. Jimmy enlisted recently as a storekeeper 3rd Class and left on Friday, October 29th, for Virginia. Before transferring to Fernwood, Flavin was connected with the central office mail room.

It was a case of the Equipment Division's loss and the Maintenance Division's gain when Joe Henry, veteran equipment operator, received his appointment as Maintenance Foreman as a result of passing the test for that grade. Joe takes with him the best wishes of his former co-workers.

The sympathy of the division is extended to Frank Montgomery, Equipment Operator, upon the loss of his wife who passed away on October 18th. Mrs. Montgomery is survived by a daughter, Frank, aged 16, and a son, Frank, aged 14, in addition to her husband.

### In Third War



BILL CHRISTENSEN

Bill Christensen, who services equipment out of Fernwood, could not resist the urge to get into the present fight and as a result has enlisted in the Marine Motor Transport Corps as a Private 1st Class. This represents Bill's third war service, having served on the Mexican border with the National Guard and later with the 29th Division in France during World War I. All who know Christensen wish him a safe and speedy return. And lest we forget—Bill is a grandfather.

It seems as if Jack McKeever's two boys can't be kept apart. They recently chanced to meet in the South Pacific area in one of the distant USO clubs. While discussing this and that, they were joined by another sailor. This would not be unusual except for the fact that this boy lives next door to the McKeever's in Trenton and has an assignment different from either of the brothers. Needless to say, the old home town was the chief topic of conversation.

## Bowling League

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awkward and it is hoped that a sixth team can be made up of some of the men in the Department who are not bowling at this time. They need not represent any particular division according to Mr. Dunn, but can be gathered from the length and breath of the Department.

Highway employees who are interested in watching these teams in action will find a pleasant evening awaiting them if they visit the Curtis Bowling Academy on South Warren Street in Trenton, any Friday evening at 7:00 p. m.

The league standing at present is:

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Equipment .....	9	3	.750
Administration..	9	3	.750
Drafting .....	7	5	.583
Electrical .....	4	8	.333
Projects .....	1	11	.083

Do you believe this reported telegram from Washington: "Our order called for 1800 R.P.M. motors STOP Your shipping notice shows that 1750 R.P.M. were shipped STOP When will other 50 R.P.M.'s be shipped?"

## MEET THE UPPER MONTCLAIR GANG



The group of men shown in the above photo constitute the Upper Montclair office of the Survey and Plans, the largest single office of this division at the present time. From left to right in the first row are: Anthony Fuca, Rodman; Norman Hancock, Sr. Draftsman; Francis W. Berberick, Sr. Draftsman; Frank J. Spagnola, Asst. Civil Engr.; John D. Matchett, Sr. Civil Engr.; Rocco DiGiacomo, Asst. Civil Engr.; Lawrence Kavanaugh, Sr. Civil Engr.; Rear row: Henry Espersen, Highway Inspector; Charles Sideris, Asst. Civil Engr.; Harold D. Kettlewood, Highway Inspector; Charles A. Van Antwerpen, Sr. Civil Engr.; Howard N. Rigby, Asst. Engr., Survey and Plans; J. Siddons Neville, Resident Engr.; John V. Lincoln, Sr. Civil Engr.; Charles A. Matthews, Resident Engr.; Thomas R. McDearman, Sr. Civil Engr.; John A. Whitehead, Asst. Civil Engr.; Robert G. Blanchard, Sr. Civil Engr.

Howard Rigby is in charge of this office during the absence of Major Braybrooke, who is at present stationed in North Africa with the U. S. Army Engineers. Howard, who will receive a 25 year pin at the coming Ten Year Club dinner, entered the employ of the Department way back in 1918. His hobby is recording his many travels in motion pictures.

Two men of this group received their 25 year awards last year. They are J. Siddons Neville and Charles A. Matthews. Both of these veterans came with the Highway Department in August 1917. Neville, a recent father, also has a son awaiting induction into the Army. Sid is a Vice Commander of the Ridgefield American Legion Post and chairman of that town's salvage drive. Matthews is an enthusiastic farmer, who takes pride in his four acre tract. He is doing more than his share to ease the food shortage.

Francis Berberick is back with the office after serving many months in Alaska. He recently received an over-age discharge. Harold Kettlewood is the Victory Gardener de luxe, whom we had the pleasure of reporting on in the September issue of THE HIGHWAY.

Frank Spagnola has recently adapted himself to the part time duties of office clerk, a job left open by the demands of armed forces. Every group has its huntsmen and fishermen. In this case the two are combined in the person of John Matchett who would rather do either than eat. In fact John is a man of hobbies and an expert woodworker to boot.

The versatility of this group apparently is unlimited. Norman Hancock is a Captain in the State Guard, Jack Whitehead, a camera enthusiast and jazz pianist (he took the above picture), Henry Espersen, a former Projects Inspector as well as a home movie fan, and Charles Van Antwerpen, a photographer of unusual ability.

Charles Sideris is another gardener of ability, but his chief hobby is seeing that the products of his toil are carefully stored away in jars for future use. Tony Fuca is the man who came back. We are pleased to say that Tony is sound and well again following a siege with a serious illness. Larry Kavanaugh and Rocco DiGiacomo are "outside" men who spend much of their time on survey. And before we forget, Tom McDearman is a recent addition to this office, although he has been with Jack Evans in the Cranbury office for a number of years.

Robert Blanchard will be missed by the Upper Montclair office for he has transferred to the Department of Institutions and Agencies. Bob takes with him the best wishes of all the men with whom he has worked.

All in all the Upper Montclair office is made up of quite a bunch of capable men, both at work and at play, and it is hoped that their enthusiasm and esprit de corps as evidenced by the submission of the group picture will serve as a gentle reminder to other groups to cooperate in a similar manner.

## LABORATORY LINES

ABRAHAM WATOV

After a summer of sweat and toil in his Victory Garden, John Henry, Laboratory Custodian can look back on a record crop. In fact according to some reports, John raised the largest cabbages at Fernwood. Some of the heads weighed more than six pounds.

Lab boys in the service: 1st Lt. Joseph Reed has been transferred from the Air Corps in Miami Beach to Jefferson Barracks, Missouri. . . Ed Pollock, Senman 2nd Class, is now a member of the crew of the S. S. Bogue, one of the converted aircraft carriers. . . Sorry to hear that Corporal George Goeller of the 92nd Chemical Composite Co., has been confined in an army hospital in North Africa for the past month. Best wishes for a speedy recovery old man.

Some of the fellows are accusing Frank Schroeder of becoming stoop shouldered and gaining at least five pounds in weight, taking care of

Leon Cartledge's Victory Garden, while Leon was confined to the hospital recently. Incidentally we are glad to report that Leon is O. K. once more.

Glenn Bragg, former Senior Testing Engineer of the Lab back in the twenties and at present Sales Manager of the Alpha Cement Company, was a recent visitor. He was accompanied by his wife and son and informed us that they were on their way to Annapolis where the boy was to become a midshipman.

One of the Lab's most ardent Democrats attended a recent Republican rally and won a \$5.00 door prize. All efforts to regain the money proved futile.

George Lear, Laboratory Mechanic has our sincere sympathy upon the recent loss of his father. We are all hoping for the early recovery of Tom MacRorie now confined to Mercer Hospital.

## BRIDGE BRIEFS

Arthur Lichtenberg

BRIEFS: Dave Lawshe enroute from Alaska to Camp Peary, Va., and now a Lieut. (jg.) in the Seabees. . . Wilbur Spencer and Chas. Fox seeing the Cardinals trounce the Yanks and doing Central Park in a cab as well as visiting such spots as the Brass Rail, Diamond Horseshoe, Piccadilly Circus, Hotel Edison and "Star and Garter." A celebrity photograph and souvenir programs are mementos. . . Jack Everitt of the Seabees at Camp Peary, Va., recovered from his recent operation and keenly missed at the October forum. . . Chester Smith assured of winter transportation with an overhaul job on his '35 motor in his '34 Ford. Its the gear shift bike or the Ford. . . Frank S. Wilson and Al Herron honored by Ten Year Club on occasion of twenty years service. Congratulations, and we are looking toward twenty-five years for you. . . J. H. Patrick and Fred C. Dileb advanced to Asst. Zone Wardens A.R.P. in 10th Zone, Trenton. The latter was tendered a testimonial dinner on October 19th at Gigs Grill. . . J. J. Koffler improved in health and happy to learn that Army "E" was awarded for Newark Airport work. . . Lieut. Comm. W. F. Hunter working 55 to 60 hours a week in Washington, handling allocation of critical war materials to armed forces. . . M. L. Vail transferred from Office to Route S-3, Berry's Creek Bridge. . . Juan A. Delgado a welcome office visitor. . . Your columnist and Sven Hedin teaching in Rutgers War Training program at Trenton, H. S. . . Birthday greetings to M. L. Vail, Nov. 1; Wilbur H. Spencer and Paul Geiser, November 14th; Harry M. Bergen, November 20th and Jim Whitehead, November 28th.



BOB SIMON

Smiling Bob Simon shows his evident pleasure on being elected Treasurer of the Bridge Division Club, at the Annual Forum on October 21st at Cranbury Inn. Other officers include A. J. Lichtenberg, President; Patrick McCullough, 1st Vice President; Sven Hedin, 2nd Vice President; J. E. Evans, Jr., Assistant Treasurer and George A. Hefferman, Secretary. Morris Goodkind addressed the meeting on Post War Bridges, and men on leave told of their war work. The work and function of the Departmental Employee - Management Committee on suggestions was presented, a bridge forum was held and interesting war and baseball pictures shown.

In the Quiz event the field men vanquished the office team with Chas. Spence sole survivor and prize winner. H. R. Gabriel, A. W. Ehlers and Harry Lefferson were winners in the pencil contest. Leon Chatten won the contest for men on leave with second award in the Forum. George A. Hefferman won the Forum contest.

The Newark Chapter of the Engineering Association, N. J. State Highway Department will meet at eight o'clock on Thursday evening, November 18th at the Newark Y.M.C.A. Besides the regular scheduled business session there will be a special entertainment feature and refreshments.

Another Lab visitor was Assemblyman Howard Keim who was a Material Inspector working under Bragg at the time the latter was here.



## MAIL DELIVERY WITH A SMILE



The Highway Department recently extended a cordial welcome to the above quartet of pretty misses entrusted with the delivery of mail throughout the Trenton offices. These girls, who are taking the places of former mail room employees, now in the service of their country, are, left to right: Grace MacNeil, May Norcross, Catherine Staub and Josephine Cintia. Miss MacNeil and Mrs. Norcross are the daughters of Don McNeil and Frank Hutchinson of the Equipment Division, while Mrs. Cintia is the wife of Rizziero Cintia of the paymasters office, who recently entered the army. Frank MacNeil, the director of the mail room activities, is most enthusiastic over the manner in which these young ladies carry out assignments, and seems not a little dazzled at being surrounded by such pulchritude.

## ADMINISTRATION DIVISION

ARTHUR EGAN

Members of the Accounting Division entertained Rizziero Cintia (Champ) at a luncheon prior to his reporting to the Army at Fort Dix. Among those present were: Otto Peterson, Elgin Mayer, Edw. Downs, Earl Hankinson, John Gulch, Clyde Case, Byron Beans, Edw. McCardell, Harry Hill, Arthur Egan, Gene Beckner, Edw. McElroy, Thomas Russo, Chas. Brennan, Chas. Ahr, Frank Kimble and James Corle. Champ was presented with several useful military gifts by members of the Paymaster Department.

Chatter: Gene Palmer has returned to the Department following an operation at Jefferson Hospital, Phila. Welcome back, Gene, and we hope your final check-up does not interfere with your presiding at the Ten Year Club Dinner. . . . Sergeant Charles A. Hur-

ley, Jr., formerly of the State Wide Planning Survey, home for a short visit. He has been moved from Fort Knox, Ky., to Fort Meade, Md. . . . If doing a good deed is any satisfaction, Mrs. Paul F. Cranmer should be very happy this Christmas day. Feeling that the boys from her neighborhood would appreciate hearing from the folks back home, she canvassed the block and enough was collected to send each of the fifteen boys from the neighborhood a nice Xmas package. Surely those boys will be happier on Xmas day with the knowledge that the neighbors back home are thinking of them. . . . Evelyn Maley and Helen Disbrow of the Tabulating Department celebrated birthdays on successive days. . . . Imagine Irving Schmidt's surprise and elation upon answering the door bell to find his brother whom he had not seen in twenty-one years. Irv did not recognize his brother, now a private in the army. When he finally realized who it was he became so excited that he opened every window in the apartment—why, we do not know, but he is still very thrilled. . . . Sergeant Lou Yule of the File Room in for a visit. . . . John Smith, also of the File Room, home on a medical discharge. . . . John Mulrey, Projects Inspector, who worked with us on the inventory, is confined to McKinley Hospital here. He has a severe case of arthritis and will have to be in a cast for some time. John's many friends will wish him speedy recovery. . . . Ronald Davis of the Commissioner's Office has resigned from the Department to enter war work. . . . Welcome to two new ladies in the Administration Division, Miss Viola Gallagher of the Paymasters Department and Mrs. Josephine Cintia of the Mail Room. . . . Word has reached us of the marriage of Private Frank Laccoschiel of the Tabulating Department, and Miss Susie Yankus. Congratulations and the best of everything.

## CHANGES JOBS

Robert G. Blanchard, Senior Civil Engineer, of the Montclair office, has resigned from the Highway Department to accept appointment as Topographic Engineer in the Department of Conservation and Development. The Newark Chapter of the Engineering Association will miss his competent and progressive guidance as president, and his many friends in the Department wish him every success.

A. C. Lincoln, Right of Way Agent, is the proud father of twin sons just entering our country's service. Adrian has been accepted as a cadet in the Army Air Force. Arthur was called for examination on November 4th.

## MAINTENANCE NOTES

GENE BECKNER

Official recognition is now made of the approaching winter season. Organization of the 1943-44 snow removal program is proceeding apace and it is hoped to have arrangements completed at least by Thanksgiving. Just as was our experience last season, considerable difficulty is being encountered in securing contractors with satisfactory heavy-duty equipment with sufficient personnel to operate the trucks, and more of a strain than ever will be placed on Department equipment. The boys in the Equipment Division at Fernwood are working feverishly getting everything in shape, and snow plows for attachment to contractors' trucks are being rushed to their proper field locations every day to be ready for that first snowfall.

Another performance worthy of mention was a cooperative effort on the part of several members of various maintenance crews in Supervisor Jack Carr's Central District. These men, recruited from the maintenance gangs of Foremen Buckalew, Higgins, Yannut, Miller, Ely, Henkin, and Herbert, reported to the Cream Ridge-Hornerstown section of Route No. 37 for oiling operations. It was a cold day and speed in application extremely important. Better than 9,000 gallons of oil were laid in approximately five hours. As our maintenance crews are depleted more and more through the inroads of Selective Service, cooperative efforts of this nature are going to become more common. The results in this instance indicate that our maintenance field men stand ready to meet the emergency.



RANDOLPH LA BARRE

The Jolly Tar pictured above is none other than Randy La Barre, formerly a member of Arthur Marshall's landscape maintenance crew down in Monmouth County. Randy is now stationed at the Fleet Sound School, Key West, Florida. He writes that a recent issue of THE HIGHWAY picturing his old maintenance crew "sure was good to see," and we'll bet he wasn't kidding.

Recent inductees into the Navy Seabees are Foreman Daniel Marinaro, of Mike Lanzara's Institutional Road Division, and Landscape Foreman Dominick Parillo. Danny writes from Camp Peary, Va., where he is taking his basic training, that they apparently are training the Seabees not only to construct or reconstruct bases, etc., but to capture them as well.

The Maintenance Division office force was augmented recently by the addition of Miss Florence Millerick, formerly secretary to Mr. J. A. Williams. The office staff, depleted by the induction of Norm Horner, Bill Rackowski, and Charlie Doherty into the armed forces, has been somewhat overburdened of recent months, and Miss Millerick's transfer is most welcome.

Heard indirectly from Lt. John R. Bruther, U. S. Army Air Corps, recently. John wrote a letter to Jimmy Fenton, formerly employed by this Division and now working for Eastern Aircraft, in which he says that he had the unique experience of flying his own plane from South America to the North African theatre. He has been on some thirty-six bombing sorties over German-occupied Italy. So far he has come out unscathed, but reports a number of close calls.

## 148 CLUB HOLDS INAUGURAL GATHERING



The ladies of the Department's offices at 143 West State Street in Trenton recently gathered at a luncheon held in honor of Dorothy Hudak, nee Woods. Dorothy, whose marriage was reported in the August issue of THE HIGHWAY, received a gift bond and orchids as a token of esteem. So successful was the gathering that the girls have decided to hold them at regular intervals and have named their organization the 148 Club. Reading clockwise in the photo are: Helen Tallon of the Highway Planning Bureau, Florence Millerick of Maintenance (a guest), Dolores Sica of the Electrical Division, Marion Hester of Administration, Betty Levie and La Raine Birch of Compensation and Claims, Dorothy Jakubson of the Electrical Division, Mary Massorotti of the Southern Construction Division, and Grace Moore, Lorraine Bannerman and Dorothy Hudak of Electrical.

## CONSTRUCTION COMMENTS

Fred C. Claus

## TRENTON—

It is worthy of note that Survey and Plans is so well represented in the Soil Mechanics Course, being given under the auspices of Princeton University. The men regularly attending this course are: Messrs. Giffin, Claus, Bullock, Wimpenny, Kersey, Bullock, Snedaker, Vogel, Seifrin, Van Breenem, Fowler, Phillips, Slemmer, Lozier, T. Frascella, A. Hancock, Totter and Widutis.

On Saturday, Oct. 16th, Rudolph Vogel presented a paper entitled, "Problems of Survey in Connection with New Jersey State Highways" at the 5th Annual Land Surveyors Conference held at Rutgers University. At the same affair Charles Temperly led a discussion of a paper entitled "Historical Notes on Land Surveying."

Joe Severns, on leave with the U. S. Signal Corps dropped in recently for a friendly chat. He reports that he has run across Willis Osborne on several occasions and trusts that "Ossie's" friends will be glad to know he still retains his ability to "gripe" . . . Lorraine Finkle celebrated her 20th birthday on Oct. 20th and is making elaborate preparations for her sister's forthcoming marriage at which she will be maid of honor. . . . Harry Fowler taking bows after having one of his suggestions recently adopted. Others are sure to follow. . . . Helen Coffey dressing up her office with a new desk on which she assures us that flowers are welcome.

## WOODYLYNNE—

They celebrated Navy Day on Oct. 13th in the Woodylynn Office. On this date Lt. Commr. William B. Dallas returned to his old haunts and paid his former associates a lengthy visit. Bill had many tales to tell of life on the Aleutians where he has spent most of his time since enlisting in the Sea-Bees. Had many a nice word for the work performed by other Highwaymen with whom he was stationed.

The same afternoon we received a surprise visit from Seaman Robert F. Hurley, son of Wm. J. Hurley, a veteran of this office. Hurley is stationed at the U. S. Naval Training Station, Sampson, N. Y. Another son, Corp. Richard Hurley, is stationed with an anti-aircraft battery on Long Island.

Harry Marvin announces that he has practically solved the recent robbery of his summer home in Mullica Hill. After examining all clues, Harry informs us an arrest is imminent. The State Police are assisting in the case. . . . E. L. Kuppel's son, Arthur, is recovering from a recent operation in the Camden General Hospital. Good news. . . . Paul Tusing of Projects

has been temporarily assigned to this office, while other new faces are: William Henderson, James Edwards and Edward Dancona, all Traffic Enumerators from the office of Wesley Bellis. The boys are making a frantic effort to win at the noonday pinocchio game—so far without much success. All nice fellows and we are glad to have them winter with us.

How is your winter coal supply? If low, you might give this a try. Earl Hagy's son was in front of their home recently when a coal truck drove up. Being of a cooperative nature he ran into the cellar and opened the window. After the coal was nestled in the Hagy bin, it was discovered that it should have been delivered to the house next door. The driver accepted pay rather than move the coal, however, and Earl is very well satisfied.

## NEWARK—

Harry Gornitsky has been added to the list of men in this office who are contributing to the war effort with part time work in industrial plants.

John Mackenzie, who started work with the Department in 1912, has decided to retire November 1, 1943. John has disposed of his home in Plainfield and plans to live in Florida with his newly acquired bride.

Morgan Hand has returned to the office from the Somers' Point Hospital. He reports that while he had trouble with his teeth, then his feet, but that his name is still Hand.

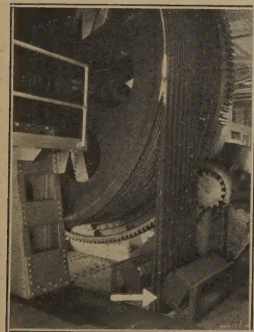
B. H. Riesenor was recently transferred from the Projects Division to the Newark Office, Survey and Plans. Ben, by the way, is a Lieutenant in the State Guard. Eddy Houghton has just returned from visiting friends and relatives in Hartford and Providence.

Harry Stover, who is in charge of the layout party on the Picturing Arsenal Access Road, has just returned from vacation. Incidentally, Harry's vacation period conformed very nicely with that of his daughter, Marion, who was home on leave from the Spars' Training Camp at St. Augustine, Florida. We are also informed that Harry has just been elected American Legion Commander of the Morris-town Post.

Neil MacDougall, in charge of the Newark Office of Survey & Plans, after living in East Orange for ten years has moved to an apartment in Millburn. Mac is rather non-committal as to the reason for this change, but it is a known fact that his residence is now only a good tee shot from his favorite golf course and apartment life may give him more time to indulge in his favorite sport.

## Automatic Lubrication

Drawbridge Supervisors Don Henderson and Ed Downs are the inventors of the automatic lubricator for drawbridge cables pictured above. This little gadget is installed in the towers of the Wittenpenn Bridge over the Hackensack River at Jersey City where it is doing the work formerly done by several men at regular intervals and requiring several days to complete.



So successful is the operation of this automatic lubricator, the designers of this type of bridge are now incorporating similar devices in their new structures. This invention actually saves about \$100 a year in labor costs and operates on one quarter of the amount of high grade lubricant formerly used. This is a fine example of the manner in which our employees are continually making definite contributions to the efficiency of the Highway Department.